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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

On June 4, 2007, a Notice of Allowability and a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due was mailed for the above-referenced application. Attached to the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner provided a Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

In the Statement for Reasons for Allowance, the examiner correctly noted that dependent claims 4 and 6 have been amended to claim a range of wavelengths where water is a dominant absorber in accordance with an exemplary range disclosed in the specification to correct an unintentional implication that wavelengths near 900 nm are wavelengths at which water is a

dominant absorber. However, it is not believed that dependent claims 4 and 16 are limited to any specific embodiments disclosed in the specification. Indeed, independent claims 1 and 14, as wells as respective dependent claims 4 and 16, should be interpreted in accordance with the accepted canons of claim construction and should not be unduly limited by any limitations read in from the specification or by any implied estoppels resulting from the Examiner's Statement for Reasons of Allowance.

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